YOU KNOW WHAT HE'S LIKE. YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THIS.
SNORT
YEAH, I SUPPOSE I DON'T EITHER.
CREEEAAAAK
SNAP!
HUFF!

BOOM!
CRACK!
SIZZLE...
HEH...
HAHA!
HA!
NOTHING'S WORKING!
WHY WON'T YOU DIE?!

A WHOLE DECK OF MAGIC TO THROW AT THIS THING AND NOTHING WILL DO ANY GOOD!
SO LONG AS THE MAGICAL BARRIER OVER IT'S HULL REMAINS INTACT, WE CAN'T EVEN ANNOY IT.
WE DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO EXPERIMENT WITH USELESS SPELLS ALL NIGHT.
WE HAVE TO ASSUME THAT CREDENZA AND HER GROUP HAVE FAILED. PEOPLE ARE DYING.
EVEN MORE PEOPLE WILL DIE IF THIS THING REACHES THE NEAREST CITY.
MAYBE I COULD OPEN UP A BIG HOLE BENEATH IT... THAT MIGHT BUY US SOME TIME.
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SIMON!

SPLICK!
SCRAAAAAAAAAAAAAPE!

WE CANNOT FIND HER. WE ARE TRYING.
TRY HARDER. BRING HER TO ME.
WE CANNOT! HE IS FIGHTING US AT EVERY STEP. BUT IT IS MORE THAN THAT.
HSSSSS!
WHEN THE GIRL'S NECKLACE WAS REMOVED, THE MAGIC INSIDE HER WAS SET FREE!
IT GREW BIGGER THAN THE MACHINE! IT FILLS THIS PLACE!
HOW CAN WE FIND HER WHEN SHE SEEMS TO BE ALL AROUND US?! THE MACHINE'S SENSORS CAN SEE NOTHING AND NEITHER CAN WE!
THE MACHINE IS VAST! SHALL WE EXPECT THEM TO WALK UP TO US AND LET US CAPTURE THEM?
BENJAMIN?
HRRK?

IT'S ME, RAVEN. REMEMBER? I'M NOT HERE TO HURT YOU, I JUST WANT TO TALK.
SKREEEEEE!
OKAY, OKAY, POINT TAKEN, BUT HEAR ME OUT.
I WANT TO SPEAK TO THE REAL BEN. HE'S STILL IN THERE, STILL FIGHTING.
THEN YOU KNOW NOTHING.
ZVVT- KA-KLICK!

P-TANG!
K-THUP!
FLAP
THLAP!
THIS MONSTER WON'T SCARE ME.
NO WAY SOMETHING THIS SHODDILY PUT TOGETHER DOESN'T HAVE A HOLE OR TWO IN IT.
THERE HAS TO BE A WAY...
SCRAPE!
SPLIK!

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CREEAAK
IT WORKED! AT LEAST, I THINK IT WORKED!
THE BARRIER DOESN'T SEEM TO WORK OVER THE SEAM BETWEEN THE FLESH AND METAL.
T-SIEW!
TS-POW!

THUMP!
WHUMP!
GAAGHH!
CLONK!
SLUMP!
EEEEEEEEEEEEEE

HOLD ON, I REALLY AM HERE TO TALK! SEE? NO WEAPONS!
WE REMEMBER THE LAST TIME CAPTAIN SNOW LET YOU TALK.
WHY SHOULD WE GIVE YOU A SECOND CHANCE?
I ADMIT DEFEAT. YOU GUYS MUST HAVE GROWN A SECOND BRAIN CELL TO RUB AGAINST THE FIRST ONE.
AND WHAT EXACTLY IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?!
I'M JUST SAYING, ACKNOWLEDGING THE THREAT I POSE TO YOU AS AN INDEPENDENT AND SUPERIOR RAVEN IS PRETTY CLEVER BY YOUR STANDARDS.